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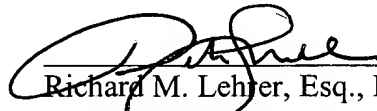
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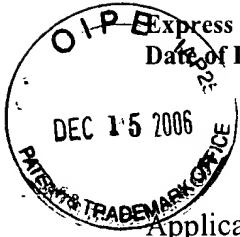
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 17, 2006, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the current rejections in light of the following remarks. This response was necessitated by the Examiner's continued reliance upon the same references which were deemed overcome by the Response filed on July 31, 2006.

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.